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We've endured power outages, equipment failures, printer catastrophes, economic downturns, the COVID pandemic and the changing media environment. Through it all, we have adapted and endured.

The past two weeks have presented some of the most unique and monumental challenges we have faced in many years. Our publisher, and single editorial staff member, suffered a serious injury and is unable to produce even the slightest amount of newscopy to fill the local pages. In addition, a serious weather event shut down electrical power to our production facilities and several crucial pieces of equipment simply died.

Those circumstances, we hope, explain the few pages online this week as we attempt to make decisions and plans for the future. Our publisher will be incapacitated for several weeks which can be a lifetime in the newspaper business.

It is and has been for many, many years, an honor and a privilege of our publications to be entrusted with the publication of legal notices from several communities in the area. Above all else, we plan to honor that trust and publish the vital legal notices this week, although our news coverage is severely lacking in both our usual quality and quantity.

These serious circumstances will impact our plans for the future, but those plans will include, as they have for more than 150 years, our constant commitment to best serve our readership and our communities.

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The Summit on the Park Aquatic Center was officially reopened with the cut of a ceremonial ribbon on Jan., to mark the completion of the $2.4 million renovation project.

Making a splash

Canton celebrates reopening of renovated Aquatic Center

Canton Township officials gathered last week to celebrate the official grand reopening of the Summit on the Park newly renovated Aquatics Center with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony, which was followed by a free community open swim for 200 individuals.

Canton Township Supervisor Anne Marie Graham-Hudak presided over the festivities and recognized the many individuals who were instrumental in completing this construction project on time and under budget. Also in attendance were members of the Canton Board of Trustees and other Canton officials, Summit on the Park management and aquatics staff, as well as construction professionals from AM Higley, who were responsible for completing the renovations.

The $2.4 million construction project, led by Canton Township Facilities Maintenance staff, included tile replacement in all pools, including the lap pool and family pool, as well as on the pool decks. In addition, tile was also replaced in the spa and sauna, as well as in the men's, women's, and family locker rooms. Further enhancements included the addition of a colorful 6-foot tall Gum Drop water feature, as well as the painting of the pool deck roof.

"It's great to see so many individuals enjoying our newly renovated Aquatic Center that will serve our community for years to come," stated Jason Lombardo, Summit on the Park Community Center Supervisor. "This indoor center, which is one of the premier pool facilities in the area, is a popular family-friendly destination that offers lap swimming, open swims, and a variety of classes and swim lessons throughout the day."

The 13,340 square-foot Summit Aquatic Center, located at 46000 Summit Parkway is home to a five-lane, 25-yard lap pool, zero-depth leisure pool with play features, lazy river, and slide, as well as a steam room and sauna.

The Aquatic Center provides a safe environment in which participants can achieve their highest level of fitness through aquatic activity, officials said. Programming for all ages and ability levels includes a variety of learn-to-swim programs, as well as fitness and water-safety classes.

For more information about the Summit on the Park Aquatic Center and available amenities, visit www.summitonthepark.org or call (734) 394-5460.

City of Plymouth expects 20,000 visitors to annual Ice Festival

One of the most highly anticipated events of the year, the 2024 Plymouth Ice Festival, presented by Michigan First Credit Union, is set to transform downtown Plymouth into a winter wonderland, organizers said. This year, Michigan First Credit Union will be the presenting sponsor of the event which annually draws nearly 20,000 visitors into downtown Plymouth.

Highlights of the event this year will feature the stars of the event, the spectacular ice sculptures. Producer James Gietzen of JAG Entertainment said smaller sculptures will be displayed at local businesses while the larger artworks will be installed at Kellogg Park.

Again this year, the Ice Throne is expected to be the setting for hundreds of family photos. Visitors will feel like Ice Festival royalty as they take a seat atop the unique Ice Throne. This activity has been a tradition for many families, as they return for that picture every year, Gietzen said.

Another traditional attraction at the festival will be the Hot Spot located in The Gathering across from Kellogg Park. Each year, Ehlers Heating and Cooling provides the warmth at the site which features local vendors, businesses, product demonstrations, a sitting area to allow for a respite from sculpture viewing. The Hot Spot is open during official hours of the festival.

Returning this year is the popular Petting Farm, also presented by Michigan First Credit Union.

Carousel Acres will be offering a hands-on experience with horses, donkeys, goats, sheep, an alpaca and even a baby calf. This activity is a top attraction for children, or those young at heart. This year, the Petting Farm will also feature pony rides. The Petting Farm will be open from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday.

And back by popular demand is the Tubing Run. The Plymouth Ice Festival tubing run features more than 100 feet of tubing excitement and fun for the whole family, Gietzen said. The Tubing Run will be open from 6 until 9 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 2; from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3 and from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 4.

Another traditional attraction at the annual event will be the Party Lot and Ice Bar located at E.G. Nicks restaurant located at 500 Forest Ave. The Ice Bar in front of the popular restaurant will be open all three days of the festival. The Party Lot in the back parking lot will feature music and dancing from Ava James and The Rumors on Friday, Feb. 3 and music from Power Play Detroit on Saturday, Feb. 4.

Festival visitors usually can't resist the fresh roasted almonds, elephant ears and mini donuts available at the food booths and wagons. The event also features a Polish food booth inside the Hotspot warming station. In addition, all the restaurants in the downtown area will be offering some of their best menu items during the festival.

The popular Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Bingo game will also return this year. Visitors can stop in participating businesses and collect enough stickers to get a bingo on their playing card which then makes them eligible for a special prize from The Plymouth DDA.

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59. Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION
MARTIN'S TOWING

17180 DIX TOLEDO RD
BROWNSTOWN, MI 48193
JANUARY 17, 2024
10:00 AM

2016 DODGE
2C4RDGCG7GR210527
2019 CHEVROLET
1G1ZD5ST9KF118735
2010 FORD
3FAHP0JA8AR228079
2006 FORD
1FAFP53U46A148100
2014 DODGE
3C4PDCCG8ET315572
2001 DODGE
2B4GP54L81R349939
2013 CHRYSLER
1C3CCBBB6DN545521
2011 FORD
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2013 DODGE
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2017 DODGE
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2015 CHEVROLET
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2018 HYUNDAI
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2020 VOLKSWAGEN
3VWCB7BUXLM004782
2016 CHEVROLET
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2014 GMC
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Festival

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This year, the Plymouth Ice Festival is set for 5 until 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 3 and from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 4.

For more information, visit www.plymouthicefest.com or on social media @PlymouthIceFestival.

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 6:33 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Morgan, Oddy, and Rush. Trustee LaPorte excused. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Finance Director Holtz, Water Superintendent Danci, and 3 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the agenda. Roll Call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: One (1) attendee spoke.

5. Minutes:
A. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to approve the regular board meeting minutes of June 27th, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:
A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to approve warrants totaling $149,492.68. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Motion by Hurst, supported by Rush to receive and file all reports. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12.Board Response: None.

13.New Business:

A. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to approve Brian Messer to display fireworks on July 22, 2023, at 41005 Judd Road. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve removing the remaining township-owned parcels from market listings for reconsideration. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Morgan, supported by Patterson to approve the initial obligation of $250,000.00 in available ARPA funds for the Martinsville Cemetery project to the Capital Projects Fund. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14.Announcements: None.

16.Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush to go into closed session at 6:40 pm to consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal law referencing current MAFF agreement status, MCL 15.268c. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

17.Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to come back in session at 7:00 pm. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

18.Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to have the attorney proceed as directed. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

19.Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to adjourn at 7:01 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 7:13 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: Morgan, Oddy, LaPorte, and Rush. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Finance Director Holtz, Water Superintendent Danci, and 5 attendees.

3. Agenda:Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the agenda with the following additions:
H. Consider approval to adopt Resolution 2023-06, Wayne County Millage Funding Allocations FY 2022-2023.
I. Consider the purchase offer for parcel #81-016-99-0014-715, Sumpter Road,
$61,000 cash, with re-zoning contingency.
Roll Call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: One (1) attendee spoke.

5. Minutes:
A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson to approve the regular board meeting minutes of May 23rd, 2023; and accept the Parks and Recreation Meeting Minutes of January 19th, 2023, February 15th, 2023, and April 12th, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:
A. Motion by Rush, supported by Bowman to approve warrants totaling $279,653.17. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Motion by Bowman, supported by Oddy to receive and file all reports. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12.Board Response: Trustee Rush gave a shout out to all who helped with the recent CWW meeting hosted by Sumpter. Received 4 phone calls about how nice it was. Also, CTI video equipment is now working. Trustee Oddy agreed about CWW meeting.

13.New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to accept the resignation of Firefighter Curtis Lunsford with regrets, effective May 17, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve Monday, July 3rd, 2023, as the AFSCME floating holiday for 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson to approve the WCA sketching proposal at a total cost of $125,990, paid over 4 years at $31,497.50 annually. Roll call vote: Yes: Bowman, Hurst, Patterson, Oddy, LaPorte, and Rush. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to direct Hennessey Engineers to receive bids for consideration of the recommended 2023 sewer lining program. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to transfer the business license for Fox Auto Parts to Fenix Parts due to a merger. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

F. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to approve the quote from Innovative Computers for the NVR/DVR replacement processor and one fisheye camera in the township hall at a total cost of $2,236.25. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: `None. Motion carried.

G. Motion by Oddy, supported by Morgan to proceed with bids for fencing, gates, signage, survey, ground penetrating radar, right of way, roads, and consultant and have the township manager assign a committee for Martinsville Cemetery. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

H. ADDED. Motion by Patterson supported by LaPorte to adopt Resolution 2023- 06, Wayne County Millage Funding Allocations FY 2022-2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

I. ADDED. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to reject purchaser offer for parcel #81-016-99-0014-715, Sumpter Road, for $61,000 cash with re-zoning contingency. Roll call vote: Yes: Bowman, Hurst, Patterson, LaPorte, Rush, Morgan, and Oddy. Nay: None. Motion carried.

15.Announcements: None.

16.Motion by LaPorte, supported by Bowman to go into closed session at 7:42 pm to consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal law referencing current MAFF agreement status, COAM agreement per MCL 15.268c, and attorney opinion letter review. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

17.Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to come back in session at 8:30 pm. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

18.Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to have the attorney proceed as directed. Roll call vote: Yes: Bowman, Hurst, Patterson, Oddy, LaPorte, Rush. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.

19.Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 8, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 6:54 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held for former Police Chief James Pierce.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: LaPorte, Oddy, and Rush. Trustee Morgan excused. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Finance Director Holtz, Water Superintendent Danci, and 10 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the agenda. Roll Call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment/Open Floor: Three (3) attendees spoke.

5. Minutes:
A. Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to approve the regular board meeting minutes of July 25, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:
A. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve warrants totaling
$765,853.05. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Motion by Bowman, supported by Hurst to receive and file all reports. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12. Board Response: Trustee Oddy stated that parks and recreation is looking for volunteers, Trustees Rush and LaPorte agreed.

13.New Business:

A. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to have Cari Ford conduct a water study. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Hurst to approve obligating and not exceed $35,000.00 in available ARPA funds for the relocation and construction of the Township Recycling Center to the Capital Projects Fund. Roll call vote: Yes: Oddy, Hurst, Rush, and Patterson in favor. Nay: Bowman and LaPorte. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Hurst to approve the quote from AirDoctor to replace the rooftop AC East unit for the township community center at a cost of $37,680.25 and get an estimate for a gas line. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14.Announcements: Stuff-A-Truck Saturday, August 12, 2023, from noon to 4:00 pm

15. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to go into closed session at 7:18 pm to consider attorney-client privileged material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal law referencing current MAFF agreement status, MCL 15.268c. with LaPorte asking to be excused. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

16. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to come back in session at 7:50 pm. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

17. Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy to have the negotiation team and the attorney proceed as directed. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

18. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to adjourn at 8:51 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 22, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Hurst at 7:39 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: LaPorte, Oddy, Morgan and Rush. Supervisor Bowman excused. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Finance Director Holtz, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Water Superintendent Danci and 1 attendee.

Motion by Patterson, supported by Oddy to have Trustee Rush chair the meeting. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve the Agenda with Items C and G tabled. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Proclamation for Chief James Pierce-read by Public Safety Director/Chief Luke

5. Public Comment: One (1) attendee spoke.

6. Minutes: Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Warrants: Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve warrants totaling
$269,164.66. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to receive and file parks and recreation report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

9. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Oddy to accept the water/sewer report as read by Danci. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10.Motion by Patterson, supported by Rush to receive and file the treasurer's report.
Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

11.Trustee Oddy stated planning commission was having a public hearing on November 9, 2023, for the adoption of a large solar farm ordinance. Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to accept the planning/zoning report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12.Board Response: Rawsonville Road is still closed, the open date is unknown due to a waterline issue. Discussion on ditch clearing, the homeowner is responsible for cleaning ditches, and the County does the roads.

13.Unfinished Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to update signage at Sherwood Pond to 3' x 3' signs that state "Swim At Your Own Risk". Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14.New Business:

A. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Patterson to accept the resignation of firefighter Richard Landskroener, effective July 30, 2023, with regrets. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy supported by Patterson to approve KCI as the 3rd party billing service for all water, sewer & utilities billing, at an approximate quarterly billing cost of $2,5000.00 effective October 1, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: Hurst, Patterson, LaPorte, Rush and Oddy. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.

C. TABLE. Consider approval of the previously provided draft position descriptions and the attached inventory for township management and employee direction and use.

D. Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson to approve the previously provided revised 2014 township employee policy manual for management and employee direction and use. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Morgan, supported by Patterson to approve D. Hadyniak to attend the MAMC fall conference from November 28, 2023, through November 30, 2023, at a cost not to exceed $1,200.00. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

F. Motion to Oddy, supported by LaPorte to accept the planning commission's recommendation to amend the Ponds and Farm Ponds ordinance section 6.39. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

G. TABLE. Consider approval of the grinder pump purchase program and the planned in-house pump repair program.

14.Announcements: Chief Luke announced a successful Stuff-A-Truck event. All the school supplies collected were delivered to Brick, Keystone, and Savage elementary schools. Chief Luke thanked all the vendors who brought their "trucks" and Kona Ice

and Red Rooster for refreshments and food. He also thanked the volunteers who helped with the event. JT Crova donated $2,500 to the community outreach program.

Township Manager Burdick announced the parks and recreation was planning a small event for October a Chili cookoff and BBQ event for a Friday and Saturday.

15.Motion by Morgan, supported by Patterson to adjourn at 8:15 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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Curling Royale tournament set in Romulus

One of the 'coolest' events in Romulus will return Jan. 20.

The 6th Annual Curling Royale event will begin at 3 p.m. at Mary Ann Banks Park Jan. 20 and team registrations are now being accepted.

Curling is a sport in which players slide stones on a sheet of ice toward a target area which is segmented into four concentric circles. The sport, growing in popularity, is related to shuffleboard. Two teams, each with four players, take turns sliding heavy, polished granite stones, also called rocks, across the ice curling sheet toward the house, a circular target marked on the ice. Each team has eight stones, with each player sliding two.

The player can induce a curved path, described as curl, by causing the stone to slowly rotate as it slides. The path of the rock may be further influenced by two sweepers with brooms or brushes, who accompany it as it slides down the sheet and sweep the ice in front of the stone. "Sweeping a rock" decreases the friction, which makes the stone travel a straighter path (with less curl) and a longer distance. A great deal of strategy and teamwork go into choosing the ideal path and placement of a stone for each situation, and the skills of the curlers determine the degree to which the stone will achieve the desired result, expert players explained. The purpose is to accumulate the highest score for a game; points are scored for the stones resting closest to the center of the house at the conclusion of each end, which is completed when both teams have thrown all of their stones once. A game usually consists of eight or 10 ends.

Romulus is accepting registrations from four-person teams. Officials said registration is not required, but is recommended. On site registration will begin at 2 p.m. The entry fee is $100 or $25 per player. Officials stressed that all the proceeds from the event will help fund the Veteran's Outreach Scholarship program. Checks should be made payable to VFW Post #78.

Organizers said there are limited spots available this year. Registration is available at https://www.romulusgov.com/.../6th-Annual-Curling-Royale-108 or by calling (734) 942-7545.

This event is weather permitting. The backup date is set for Saturday, Jan. 27.

No experience is necessary for this event, and snacks and refreshments are available for purchase. A special Happy Hour is planned at Artisan Reserve following the tournament.

Mary Ann Banks Park is located at 37200 Goddard Road, Romulus, MI 48174. The event welcomes spectators.

Previous Curling Royale District R tournaments brought out multiple local teams who swept their way to victory or had a great time participating in the event.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, January 25, 2024, for the following:

Pheasant Run Golf Course Path Paving
West and South Nine

Proposal may be downloaded on the MITN Purchasing Group website at https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn/cantontownship or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: mike.sheppard@cantonmi.gov. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
REQUEST FOR
ZONING VARIANCE

The Sumpter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Meeting at Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 at:

6:00 pm, Thursday
January 25, 2024

regarding the request for the following variance.

NATURE OF THE REQUEST

The Township is in receipt of an application requesting a Zoning Ordinance Variance for a dimensional variance to allow for the construction of an accessory carport for vehicle parking; relaxing the side yard setback distance from ten (10) feet to three (3) feet.

SITE LOCATION

The site of the requested variance is 18690 Savage Road, Belleville, MI 48111.

This Public Meeting has been scheduled in accordance with the requirements of Public Act. 168, Section 9 of 1959 (amendments to the Township Rural Zoning Act. P.A. 184) to provide all interested citizens an opportunity to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss in detail all aspects of the proposed use.

For those unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments may be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office before the hearing date.

Esther Hurst
Clerk
Sumpter Township

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INVITATION TO BID CITY OF ROMULUS
ITB 23/24-04 - PROJECT #0155-23-0060 NORTHLINE ROAD
PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT

The City of Romulus is requesting sealed bids for the Northline Road Pavement Repair Project. The project is located on the approximately 1-mile stretch of Northline Road between Middlebelt Road and Inkster Road. The work includes replacement of the existing concrete pavement with joint repairs and a HMA overlay on existing base material.

No pre-bid meeting is required.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the City of Romulus Clerk until 2:00 PM local time, on January 23, 2024. All bids should be clearly addressed:

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City of Romulus Clerk's Office
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, MI 48174

Contract documents shall be on file after 1:00 PM, January 9, 2024, at, at the City of Romulus Clerk's Office or may also be examined from the office of the City's Engineer, OHM Advisors, 34000 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI 48150 (phone 734-522-6711).

Companies can also view or download copies of the plans and bid documents from the MITN Purchasing Group page of BidNet Direct (https://www.bidnetdirect.com/mitn).

Bid security in the form of a Certified or Cashier's Check or bid bond for a sum no less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid will be required with each Bid.

The City of Romulus reserves the right to accept or reject any bid or waive irregularities in Bids. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of the Bids. A contract may ultimately be awarded to the lowest most responsive and responsible company, as determined in the sole discretion of the City of Romulus or otherwise in a manner deemed by the City to be in its own best interest. This is a Federally funded project. The contractor and subcontractors must comply with Equal Employment Opportunity requirements, Davis- Bacon Wages, and other requirements as set forth in the bid documents. Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises seeking bid opportunities under this project are encouraged to respond.

Neither the submission of nor acceptance of any bid shall constitute a contract between any bidder and the City of Romulus. No such contract shall exist without first being approved by a formal action of the members of the Romulus City Council and only after all required bonds and proof of insurances and copies of endorsements have been received by the City and the agreement is signed by authorized representatives of the City of Romulus and the successful Bidder.

All questions regarding the project or the ITB documents should be directed only to Rich Hobgood of OHM at 734-466-4492 or via email at rich.hobgood@ohm-advisors.com.

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Hurst at 6:28 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: LaPorte, Oddy, Morgan and Rush. Excused: Supervisor Bowman. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Finance Director Holtz, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Water Superintendent Danci and 3 attendees.

Motion by Morgan, supported by Patterson to have Trustee Oddy chair the meeting. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

3. Agenda: Motion by Morgan, supported by Oddy to approve the Agenda. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment: One (1) attendee spoke.

5. Minutes: Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Patterson, supported by Morgan to approve warrants totaling $169,737.71. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Rush stated Family Fund Day will be held August 22, from 12-4 at Banotai Park, and needs volunteers. Talk of holding a turkey shoot again, but it is expensive. Thanked DPW for the parks looking good. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Morgan to except the parks and recreation report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to receive and file the water/sewer report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

9. Treasurer Patterson stated going forward the treasurer's report will be different. More of an investment report. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to accept the treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10.Motion by Rush, supported by Patterson to receive and file the planning/zoning report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

11.Senior report by Clerk Hurst, June Jingle will be June 28, 2023, 11-1, Tiger game on August 23, $38, and Lions game on September 24 $135. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to accept the senior's report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12.Board Response: Morgan asked when Comcast channel will be running board meetings if it was the same time. LaPorte announced new CPR instructor is Jamie Goode. Oddy asked if Fire Chief Brown could include the anniversary dates of the month in his monthly report to the board.

13.New Business:

A. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to hire Larence McLendon as a full-time police officer, contingent upon him passing the required physical, psychological, and drug test. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Rush, supported by Morgan to approve the estimate by Herkimer Radio for $9,339.55 plus shipping costs, paid out of forfeiture funds, to outfit the police department's new 2023 Ford Interceptor Utility vehicle. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

14.Announcements: Public thank you to All Year Tree Service for grinding all the fallen trees and limbs from Martinsville Cemetery in one evening before the Memorial Day Holiday weekend.
Chief Luke warned of a street closure sign, that meant business, if you don't live on that street, don't use it. You will be ticketed.

15.Motion by LaPorte, supported by Rush to adjourn at 7:03 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

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Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

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Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 6:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bowman at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Supervisor Bowman, Clerk Hurst, Treasurer Patterson, Trustees: LaPorte, Oddy, Morgan and Rush. Also showing present: Township Manager Burdick, Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Armatis, Finance Director Holtz, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Luke, Fire Chief Brown, Water Superintendent Danci and 17 attendees.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Agenda. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment: Three (3) attendees spoke.

5. Minutes: Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2023. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

6. Warrants: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve warrants totaling $223,222.61. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

7. Rush gave the Parks and Recreation report during the workshop, and stated Family Fun Day was great. Thanked the volunteers, Willow Party Store, Ace Hardware, Austin bounce house, Oddy family, Patterson, Burdick, Campbell, Engle, Scott, Greg, Sharon, and Richard. Burdick gave out ribbons and gift cards to kids from the fishing derby. K. Sandors, L. Sandors, T. Orr, M. Ayer, C. Phillips, C. Campbell. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to accept the report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

8, 9, 11 Motion by Oddy, supported by Patterson receive and file the water/sewer report treasurer's report, and senior's reports. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

10. Trustee Oddy stated planning commission was having a public hearing on August 10, 2023 for adoption of a pond ordinance and large solar farms would be held in November. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to accept the planning/zoning report. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

12.Board Response: Morgan asked when Comcast channel will be running board meetings if it was the same time. Morgan asked about location of the handicap swings at the parks. The answer is the placement had to be accessible by automobile, and they could be moved in the future if need be.

13.New Business:

A. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte for approval of Martinsville Cemetery committee members of Anthony Burdick, Scott Holtz, Karen Armatis, and Jared Bellingham. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to adopt quarter 1 fiscal year 2023-2035 budget amendments. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

C. Motion by LaPorte supported by Bowman to table until 2nd meeting in August and continue with Swim at own Risk signs. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

D. Motion by Oddy, supported by Bowman to discuss, in open session, the grievances provided by AFSCME to Sumpter Township on behalf of employee Acheenia Hall. Roll call vote: Yes: All in favor. Nay: None. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Morgan, supported by Hurst to pay Hall for 30-day suspension and take disciplinary action out of personnel file. Roll call vote: Yes: Morgan. Nay: Bowman, Hurst, Patterson, LaPorte, Oddy, and Rush. Motion failed.

F. Motion by Bowman, supported by Patterson to deny AFSCME grievance process step 2, thereby letting disciplinary action stand. Roll call vote: Yes: Bowman, Patterson, Hurst, Oddy, LaPorte, and Rush. Nay: Morgan. Motion carried.

14. Announcements: Blood drive being held on July 26, 2023, noon to 6:00 pm at the community center

15. Motion by Morgan, supported by Rush to adjourn at 8:25 pm. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by: Deputy Clerk K. Armatis Sumpter Township

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Esther Hurst, Clerk Date

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Timothy Bowman, Supervisor Date

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